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HONDURAS EXPECTS TO FILL ITS QUOTA AND HAVE APPROXIMATELY 3.5 MILLION POUNDS IN EXCESS OF QUOTA. THIS IS ABOUT THE SAME LEVEL WHICH HONDURAS SHIPPED TO U.S. LAST YEAR. THE EXCESS WAS PLACED IN BOND AND RELEASED IN JAN. THUS, HONDURAS DOES NOT WANT TO RELINQUISH ITS OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE IN THE EXPECTED SHORTFALL. TO THE CONTRARY, THEY REQUEST THAT THEY BE AUTHORIZED TO SHIP AT LEAST 3.5 MILLION POUNDS IN EXCESS OF QUOTA IN 1977.

FOR THE FIRST TIME HONDURAS SUBDIVIDED ITS QUOTA AMONG THE SEVEN EXPORT PLANTS. CORSA, THE LARGEST PLANT, HAS FILLED ITS ALLOCATED PORTION AND HAS ASKED THE GOH FOR PERMISSION TO FILL THE OTHER PLANTS ALLOCATION. THIS WAS DENIED SINCE THE OTHER PLANTS PLAN TO FULFILL THEIR QUOTAS. THUS THE PLANT IS FACED WITH HAVING TO SHUT DOWN FOR A PERIOD OF TIME THEN OPEN AND PLACE ALL SHIPMENTS IN BOND AT A CONSIDERABLE EXPENSE. PLUS, THE SECOND LARGEST PLANT, WILL BE IN THE SAME  
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POSITION IN LESS THAN TWO WEEKS. THESE TWO PLANTS REPRESENT ABOUT 85 PERCENT OF HONDURAS'S CAPACITY. SINCE THESE PLANTS ARE FACED WITH CLOSING WITH THE SUBSEQUENT LAYOFF OF SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF LABOR, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE BE ABLE TO ADVISE THEM IF THEY WILL BE GRANTED A PORTION OF THE SHORTFALL AND APPROXIMATELY HOW MUCH. PLEASE ADVISE AS TO WHEN SUCH DECISION WILL BE MADE AND IF THEY WILL RECEIVE A

PORTION OF THE SHORTFALL.  
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